GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:336
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Organ Transplantation
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether there exists a mismatch between demand and supply of various human organs and tissues and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of existing guidelines, protocols for organ transplantation;

(c) whether the Government has decided to come out with new rules, regulations and protocols for facilitating organ donation and transplantation in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the views of eminent doctors, health experts and other stakeholders have been/are being considered before bringing new rules, regulations and protocols for facilitating organ donation, etc. and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the rules that exist in developed countries in this regard?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a) The demand for organs for transplantation is far more than the availability of organs.

(b) and (c) The Transplantation of Human Organs in India is regulated as per the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues Act, 1994 (as amended in 2011) and rules made thereunder. Further, the following guidelines/regulations have been issued in recent past for facilitating organ donation and transplantation in the country:

(i) Highlights of National Organ and Tissue Transplant Programme and operational Guidelines for its implementation, in 2015.
(ii) Allocation Criteria for Kidney, Liver, Heart, Lung, Heart-Lung and Cornea in 2016
(iii) Draft Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)/protocols for management of brain stem dead donors and retrieval of different Organs.

These are available in public domain on the website of National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organization (NOTTO) namely www.notto.gov.in:

(d) It is a standard practice to obtain expert advice of eminent doctors, health experts and other stakeholders before finalizing any rules, guidelines or protocols. The Allocation Criteria in respect of Kidney, Liver, Heart, Lung, Heart-Lung and Cornea has been prepared after taking the views of eminent doctors, health experts and other stakeholders into account.

(e) The details of the law governing organ donation in world as different countries of the world accessed on 22.03.2017 at 5:00 PM from website link https://dash.harvard.edu/bitstream/handle/1/8963882/Arthur%20Chern%20%20Food%20%20Drug%20Law%20Final%20Paper%20%20Regulation%20of%20Organ%20Transplants.pdf?sequence=1 are annexed.
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